

REMARKS

Applicant has amended the application and submits that substantial care has been taken to avoid the introduction of any new subject matter into the application as a result of the foregoing amendments.

In particular, Applicant has canceled original claims 1-34 and added new claims 35-41. Applicant submits that the specification is replete with support for such claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that claims 35-41 introduce no new matter and are otherwise proper.

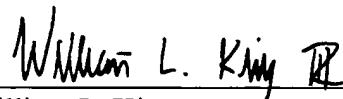
In light of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the Application is in *prima facie* condition for allowance at the present time. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the present application and passage toward issuance thereof.

If any other charges or fees must be paid or credited in connection with this communication, they may be paid out of our Deposit Account No. 50-2131.

Respectfully submitted,

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